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SENATE BILL NO. 981

94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR PURGASON.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To repeal section 263.232, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to noxious weed control.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 263.232, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 263.232, to read as follows:

263.232. It shall be the duty of any person or persons, association of persons, corporations, partnerships, the state highways and transportation commission, any state department, any state agency, the county commissions, the township boards, school boards, drainage boards, the governing bodies of incorporated cities, railroad companies and other transportation companies or their authorized agents and those supervising state-owned lands:

(1) To control and eradicate the spread of cut-leaved teasel (*Dipsacus laciniatus*) and common teasel (*Dipsacus fullonum*), which are hereby designated as noxious and dangerous weeds to agriculture, by methods approved by the Environmental Protection Agency and in compliance with the manufacturer's label instructions; [and]

(2) To control the spread of kudzu vine (*Pueraria lobata*), which is hereby designated as a noxious and dangerous weed to agriculture, by methods approved by the Environmental Protection Agency and in compliance and conformity with the manufacturer's label instructions; **and**

(3) To control the spread of spotted knapweed (*Centaurea biebersteinii*, including all subspecies), which is hereby designated as a noxious and dangerous weed to agriculture, by methods approved by the Environmental Protection Agency and in compliance and conformity with the manufacturer's label instructions.

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EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.